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Chance introduces legislation to create the Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway

ATLANTA – State Sen. Ronnie Chance (R-Tyrone) has introduced a Senate resolution that would forever honor and remember the commitment and sacrifice of veterans of the Korean War. SR 720 dedicates a portion of U.S. 80 located within the state as the Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway.

"It's fitting that we pay tribute to those who served our country faithfully and honorably," said Sen. Chance. "Several other states, such as Alabama, Mississippi and Nevada have already dedicated portions of U.S. 80 to honor Korean War vets, and I'd like to see this tradition continue in Georgia."

Under SR 720, U.S. 80, running across the state from Columbus to Savannah, will be forever known as the Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway. The legislation also authorizes the Georgia Department of Transportation (DOT) to place and maintain appropriate markers in Columbus, Macon and Tybee Island, dedicating the Memorial Highway.

"Many young Georgia soldiers fought bravely in Korea, proudly serving their country as members of the armed forces, and many suffered injury and loss of life as a result," added Sen. Chance. "I think the Memorial Highway is a perfect way to honor their service to our nation."

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